MINUTES MANSFIELD INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY Regular Meeting

Monday, December 7, 2009

Council Chambers, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Members present: R. Favretti (Chairman), M. Beal, J. Goodwin, R. Hall, K. Holt, P.

Plante, B. Pociask, B. Ryan

Alternates present: G. Lewis, Kenneth Rawn, Vera Stearns (7:08 p.m.)

Staff present: G. Meitzler (Wetlands Agent)

Chairman Favretti called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Alternate Lewis was appointed to act, to fill the vacancy of a former member.

Minutes:

<u>11-2-09</u> - Hall MOVED, Beal seconded, to approve the 11-2-09 minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Plante who disqualified himself.

Communications:

The 11-30-09 Wetlands Agent's Monthly Business report was noted.

Old Business:

None.

New Renewal Request:

W1442 (W1296) - King - Wormwood Hill Rd

Holt MOVED, Ryan seconded, to grant an Inland Wetlands License under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to Donald King (file no. W1442), renewal of wetland permit W1296 for a single family house on property now owned by the applicant and located on the west side of Wormwood Hill Road, as shown on a plan dated 3/02/2005, and as described in other application submissions. This action is based on the application submissions, and consideration of applicable regulations.

Based on the above considerations, the Agency hereby finds this project will not cause significant impact, provided the following conditions are met:

1. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls, as shown on the plans, shall be in place prior to construction and maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized.

This approval is valid for a period of five years (until May 4, 2014), unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins, and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this Agency for further review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

W1443 (W1291) - Abbott - Mulberry Rd

Holt MOVED, Ryan seconded, to grant an Inland Wetlands License under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to Pamela & Steve Abbott (file no. W1443), for renewal of wetland permit W1291 approved at the March 7, 2005 Wetlands Agency meeting, for a single family house on property now owned by this applicant and located on the east side of Wormwood Hill Road on the southeast corner of Mulberry Rd/Wormwood Hill Rd, as shown on a plan dated 2/01/2005, and as described in other application submissions. This action is based on the application submissions, and consideration of applicable regulations.

Based on the above considerations, the Agency hereby finds this project will not cause significant impact, provided the following condition is met:

1. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls, as shown on the plans, shall be in place prior to construction and maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized.

This approval is valid for a period of five years (until March 7, 2015), after which time a new permit application is required. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins, and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this Agency for further review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Modification Request:

W1444(W1237) - Hillel House - sidewalk and parking alternations

Pociask disqualified himself; Rawn was appointed to act. Representing the applicant were Henry M. Zachs of HWZ Contracting, LLC and Director of Hillel, and John Ianni, Professional Soil Scientist. Zachs summarized the modification request to extend the sidewalk. Ianni described the wetlands and brook north of the site, noting no inlet or outlet. The wetland is not a vernal pool and, in his opinion, it is a "left-over" wetland with no function, value, and is not supportive of wildlife.

Goodwin MOVED, Hall seconded, to receive the application submitted by Henry M. Zachs, HWZ Contracting, LLC, B'Nai Brith Hillel Foundation of Connecticut (IWA File #W1444) under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield for the extension of sidewalk and parking lot and removal of trees, at 54 North Eagleville Road, on property owned by B'Nai Brith Hillel Foundation of Connecticut, as shown on a map dated 10/16/09 and as described in other application submissions, and to refer said application to the staff and Conservation Commission for review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Holt MOVED, Hall seconded, to table action on this item until the next meeting, allowing the Agency to revisit the site on a field trip. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

W1445(W1419) - Chernushek - additional gravel removal and construction haul road

Goodwin MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by Henry M. Chernushek (IWA File #W1445) under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield for the removal of 750 cubic yards of gravel, at 473 Middle Turnpike, on property owned by the applicant, as shown on a map dated 10/19/09 revised to 12/3/09 and as described in other application submissions, and to refer said application to the staff and Conservation Commission for review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Applications:

W1446 - Kielbania - Mansfield City R - SF house in buffer

Goodwin MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by Bryan and Margaret Kielbania (IWA File #W1446) under Section 5 of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield for the construction of a 3-bedroom single-family residence and septic, at 619 Mansfield City Road, on property owned by the applicants, as shown on a map dated 11/23/09 and as described in other application submissions, and to refer said application to the staff and Conservation Commission for review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Field Trip: Scheduled for Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

Reports of Officers and Committees:

Regulation Review Committee: W1447 - IWA Regulation Revisions

The consensus of the Agency was to review the draft regulations at a special meeting on 12/21/09, and then set a public hearing date.

Other Communications and Bills: Noted.

Adjournment: 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Katherine K. Holt, Secretary